

line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 21, line 1, change "any one of claims 9 to 20" to --claim 9--;

line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 22, line 1, change "any one of claims 9 to 21" to --claim 9--;

line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 23, line 1, change "any one of claims 9, 10, 21 or 22" to --claim 9--;

lines 1-2, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 24, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 25, line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

Claim 26, line 1, change "any one of claims 23 to 25" to --claim 23--;

line 1, change "characterized in that" to --wherein--.

### **REMARKS**

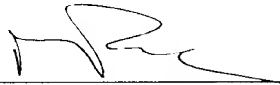
Claims 1-26, submitted to the International Bureau on September 29, 1998 which replaced original claims 1-30, have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and correct minor informalities. Please utilize claims 1-26 as amended above, as opposed to original claims 1-30, for purposes of this application.

The specification has been amended to include section headings at appropriate locations.

An Abstract is also submitted herewith.

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